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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Official Action dated August 18, 2009, Applicants hereby elect the invention covered by Group I, Claims 1-2, 10, 17 and 21, drawn to a smoking article. Upon allowance of any generic claims, reciting a subcombination, rejoinder of claims reciting a combination which includes such subcombination is requested.

Early and favorable consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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